

## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) for Carbon Footprint questions in Project Gigaton

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### General:

**Q:** If my company discloses our carbon footprint, should my company also report the emissions impacts of action taken under each pillar of Project Gigaton?

**A:** Yes. Suppliers are encouraged to report avoided, reduced, or sequestered emissions within the Project Gigaton 6 pillars of action.

### Scope 1 and 2 Questions:

**Q: What do you mean by “carbon footprint”?**

**A:** By “carbon footprint”, we mean Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions. Scope 1 emissions are direct emissions from sources that are owned or controlled by your company such as factories, office buildings, and company-owned or leased vehicles. Scope 2 emissions are indirect emissions resulting from the generation of purchased energy, primarily electricity.

**Q: What if I my company does not have our carbon footprint calculated?**

**A:** We encourage suppliers to estimate your carbon footprint and then set an absolute target for Scope 1 and 2 emissions reduction. See [this page](#) for more information and check out the Learning Hub in the Sustainability Portal for resources.

**Q: What if we choose not to share our carbon footprint?**

**A:** Carbon footprint disclosure is not mandatory for participation in Project Gigaton, but it is one of the requirements of achieving Giga-Guru status.

**Q: How should I report if my company has only calculated or is only willing to share a partial carbon footprint?**

**A:** You can report a partial carbon footprint in Project Gigaton, but this does not meet the requirement to achieve Giga Guru status.

Q: We have disclosed our carbon footprint in CDP. Do we need to report in Project Gigaton too?

A: If you are requested to disclose to CDP Climate Change Questionnaire by Walmart and submit by the scoring deadline, your carbon footprint data will be pre-populated in Project Gigaton. If you are not requested by Walmart, you will still be able to use the data that you submitted to CDP by entering it directly in Project Gigaton.

Q: We only need to report Scope 1 and 2 emissions from our owned/leased facilities, our supply chain is not included, right?

A: The answer depends on how a company draws their emissions boundaries, but if a facility is not under operational or financial control of the company, it would not be considered in Scope 1 or 2 emissions.

Q: There is a question about allocation of emissions to business with Walmart. How should my company do this?

A: Allocation should be based on physical (units or mass of products delivered) or economic (sales) factors. Suppliers can reference the GHG Protocol for detailed guidance on allocation, and Walmart is aiming to provide additional guidance to support suppliers in this calculation.

### Scope 1 and 2 Target Information:

Q: Is the question regarding Scope 1 and 2 absolute reduction targets mandatory?

A: This question is not mandatory, but it is a requirement of reaching either Giga Guru or Sparking Change recognition status. To reach either status, suppliers must answer that they do have a Scope 1 and 2 absolute reduction goal and share the details.

### Scope 3 Reporting

Q: If a company has not estimated their Scope 3 emissions, can they still achieve Giga Guru status?

A: Yes. The Scope 3 question in the carbon footprint module of Project Gigaton asks for supplier disclosure on Scope 3 category relevancy and current state of calculation for relevant categories. Suppliers will not be asked to disclose actual estimates at this time. The [GHG Protocol provides guidance](#) on assessing relevancy of all 15 categories of Scope 3 emissions.